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Sabbath: Connect



Welcome! We're glad you're here!



If you are a guest and are interested in knowing more about this community and the ministries that Holy Shepherd is engaged in, please add your information on the clipboard located at the **Information Center** kiosk. You may add as much information as you'd like to share. We look forward to getting to know you!

Trusting God + Loving the World

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God*

## Prelude

## Welcome & Announcements

## Call to Worship

You are rest for the weary,  
**You desire us to prosper,**  
You call us to rest,  
**Let us honor and worship.**

## Confession & Forgiveness

We confess our sins before God and one another.

*Pause for silence and reflection.*

God of Peace,

**We are a restless people, always wanting more, doing more, needing more. But in our rush and chasing after satisfaction, we find we have less time, less meaning, less connection with you, others and ourselves. Interrupt our frenzied world and guide us back to you. Forgive us for overlooking those in need and neglecting to enjoy and care for this world you have given us. Amen.**

Our God is slow to anger and quick to pardon. Come and rest in God's mercy. Receive God's forgiveness for all the ways you have missed the mark. Receive the peace of the Spirit. **Amen.**

12 *All*

If we have died to our - selves in

Je - sus, then we shall a - rise to

new life in him: Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia!

#### Verse one

We are fire and water, we are symbol and sign of grace,  
we are the myst'ry, we are the image of God's own face. *Refrain*

#### Verse two

In the water we seek him, in the wellspring of all that lives, all who are thirsty,  
come and be filled with the life he gives. *Refrain*

### Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

### Prayer of Day

Renewing God,  
You have made all things to live, grow, and rest in cycles. Help us honor the natural patterns of our world, and to know when to work and when to rest. We pray in the name of your dear son, Jesus. Amen.

## God speaks to us in scripture, preaching & song

*This passage from Genesis is the conclusion of our first creation narrative. In it, God carves out intentional time to enjoy and honor what God has made. As chosen, beloved friends of Jesus, we are called to do the same thing.*

### Scripture Reading

Genesis 2:1-3

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. <sup>2</sup> And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. <sup>3</sup> So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

### Invitation to God's Word

**Holy Spirit rain down, rain down.  
O Comforter and Friend, how we need Your touch again.  
Holy Spirit rain down, rain down.  
Let Your power fall, let Your voice be heard,  
come and change our hearts as we stand on Your Word.  
Holy Spirit rain down.**

### Holy Gospel

John 15:9-15

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>9</sup>“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup> I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

<sup>12</sup>“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. <sup>14</sup> You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup> I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father.”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## + Children's Time +



### Children's Church

Children age 3yrs – 4<sup>th</sup> grade.  
After children's message, meet  
the leader in back of church.



### Message

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon*

### Song

*Abide with Me*

ELW 629 vs. 1,3,5

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide.  
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
help of the helpless, oh, abide with me.

I need thy presence ev'ry passing hour;  
what but thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?  
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, oh, abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes,  
shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;  
heav'n's morning breaks,  
and earth's vain shadows flee;  
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

### Prayers of the People

Together with the community of Christ throughout the world,  
let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.



*Sung before and after all prayers*

The Spir - it in - ter - cedes for us with  
sighs too deep for words to ex - press. Oh, oh.

*End*

*Prayer petitions response*

God of rest, **in mercy, hear our prayer.**

We lift these prayers and those in our hearts into your loving arms,  
O God, trusting in your abundant mercy. **Amen.**

## Sharing God's Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ*

## Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## Holy, Holy, Holy

**He is exalted the King is exalted on high; I will praise Him.**

**He is exalted forever exalted, and I will praise His name.**

**He is the Lord, forever His truth shall reign.**

**Heaven and earth, rejoice in His holy name**

**He is exalted the King is exalted on high.**

## Eucharistic Prayer

Holy, living, and loving God, we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth. We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood, for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery, and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer. We give you thanks for Jesus who, living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry, and with a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life-giving death and glorious resurrection, we await your promised life for all this dying world. Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup: carry us in your arms from death to life, that we may live as your chosen ones, clothed in the righteousness of Christ. We praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. **Amen.**

## Prayer

Celtic Version, Newell

**Holy One beyond all names, Eternal Wellspring**  
**May love rise again in us today**  
    **With food for every table**  
    **Shelter for every family**  
    **And reverence for every life**  
**Forgive us our failing in love**  
    **And free us from all falseness**  
**That the light of our souls may shine**  
    **And the strength of our spirits endure**  
    **For earth and all its people**  
**This day, tonight, and forever. Amen**

## Invitation

Jesus no longer calls us servants, but beloved friends invited to his dinner table. Come and celebrate the fellowship of all God's children, sharing in the body and blood of our renewal. All is prepared!



+ *All Are Welcome at the Table* +

### Options for receiving Holy Communion

Please come forward to the front where the pastors are standing. Come forward starting with the front pews, there will be no ushers. After you have received communion please exit by the side aisles and put your empty cup in the basket. There are kneelers on each side where you are free to kneel and pray before you return to your seat. Bread (gluten-free) and wine or grape juice (center of the tray) will be given to you with the words spoken:

***“The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.”***

If you would like communion served in the pew, please signal to a pastor or let the usher in the back know.

***You are invited...*** To bring **offering** forward during Holy Communion or before or after worship. The offering is gathered in front of the church in front of the communion table (altar) where we are reminded of God's gifts given to us in Christ and our response to these gifts.

## Communion Song

*You Are My All in All*

- Jernigan

**You are my strength when I am weak,**

**You are the treasure that I seek.**

**You are my all in all.**

**Seeking You as a precious jew'l, Lord to give up I'd be a fool,**

**You are my all in all.**

*Refrain*

**Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name.**

**Jesus Lamb of God, worthy is Your name.**

**Taking my sin my cross my shame,**

**rising again I bless Your name.**

**You are my all in all.**

**When I fall down You pick me up, when I am dry You fill my cup.**

**You are my all in all. *Refrain***

For God so loved the world that gave, his only begotten Son,  
that whosoever believe in him, should not perish,  
but have life everlasting, have life everlasting;  
have life everlasting, have life everlasting.  
For God so loved the world that gave his only begotten Son.

## Prayer after Communion

Gracious God, we give you thank that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

*God blesses us and sends us out in mission to the world.*

## Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**Amen.**

## Sending Song

*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

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Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love!  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, praising thee, their sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

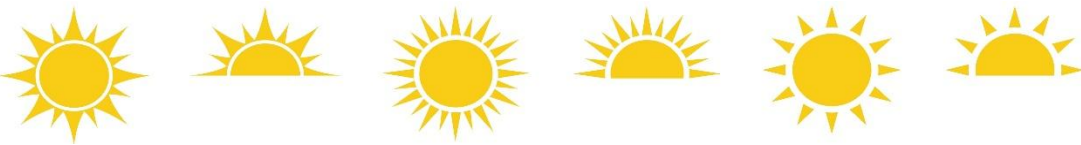
All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,  
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,  
chanting bird, and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,  
wellspring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine;  
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine!

## Sending

Go in peace. Christ is with you.  
Thanks be to God.

## Postlude



### Worship Leadership

Pastors .....Julie Brooks, Kim Gonia  
Pianist/Organist .....Chris Johnson  
Reader ..... Bob Gordon  
Communion Assistants .....Lisa Grimm, Barb Stannard  
Greeters .....Larry & Shirley Bradsby  
Usher.....Bosak-Simmons Family  
Altar Guild ..... Susie DiPaolo  
Children's Church ..... Children's Church Team  
Worship Technology ..... Dan Mohrbacher, Mark Lee

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## WORSHIP SERVICE NOTES

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**THANK YOU** for being considerate of disabled worshippers and their families. Please leave the pew cuts and several adjoining seats available for those with walkers & wheelchairs.

**HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES** are located at the sound booth located in the back of the sanctuary on the east side. You can also download the app WaveCast Receiver which is designed for hearing aids with Bluetooth capability. See our sound engineer Mark, in the sound booth if you have any questions. (*Back of the sanctuary, SE corner*).

**CANDLE STATION** is available for candle-lighting. (*In the back of the sanctuary*).

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## RELATIONSHIP BUILDING (FELLOWSHIP)

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After worship, you are invited to get to know one another for the first – or 100<sup>th</sup> time, in the narthex (behind the sanctuary) or in the fellowship hall with coffee and snacks.

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## OFFERING

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Your financial gifts support Holy Shepherd and its vision to nurture trusting relationships with God and with one another, along with its vision to engage in generous activities that serve to love the world as Jesus has shown us. Cash, or checks made out to Holy Shepherd, can be placed in the front bowl by the front pews on your way to communion. (Envelopes are available in your pews if you'd like.) You can also scan the QR code to the left and give through Tithely. *Thank you for your generosity.*

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## KIDS

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**Kids Zone** (un-staffed) is available your family to use if you need a place to step out with kids during the service. It is located off the hallway west of the sanctuary and has a television available for watching the worship live-stream.

**Kid busy bags** are located in the narthex (outside the sanctuary) and contain kid friendly items for families to take into worship. Please return to the stand after worship.

**Children's Church** is offered after the kids, typically 3 years old to 4<sup>th</sup> grade, come up for *Children's Time* with the pastor. This optional activity is during the pastor's message and is led by an adult. It is located in the room just through the nursery off the west hallway of the sanctuary.

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